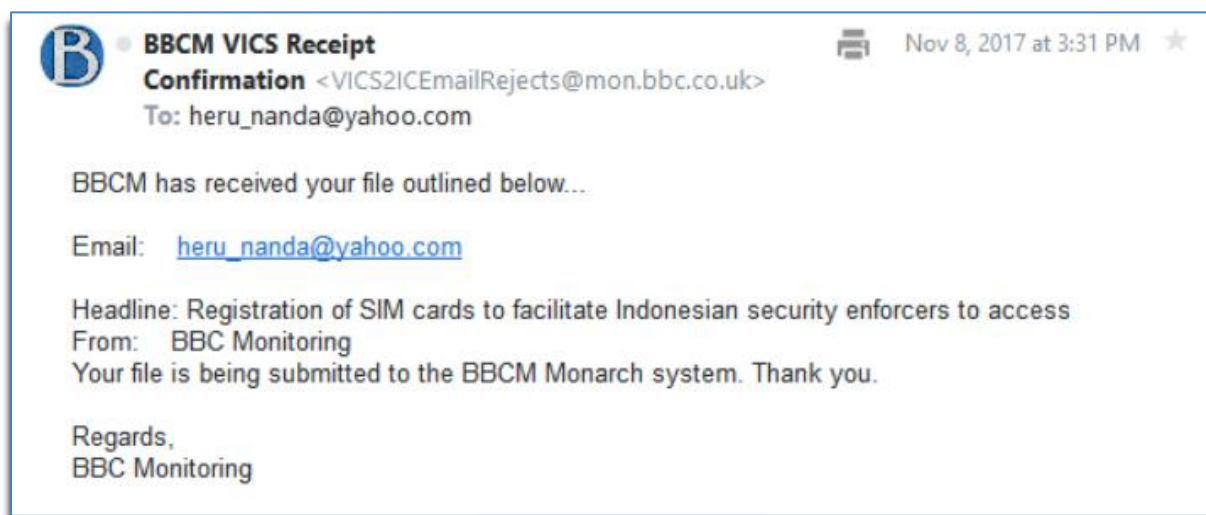




Registration of SIM Cards To Facilitate Indonesian Security Enforcers To Access



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The Indonesian Communications and Information Minister (Menkominfo) Rudiantara has said that operators' websites are in charge of the registration data security of the prepaid SIM card users.

Based on his decree No.14/2017 on mobile phone numbers, the minister explained that prepaid SIM card users are required to register their numbers, starting from Oct. 31 to Feb. 28, 2018. The SIM card holders should also submit their identity card number (NIK) and family card (KK) number.

After 28 February 2018, new users would not be able to activate their mobile phone number without registering it. Meanwhile, those with existing phone numbers will have an additional 15 days to register. Should they fail to do so, however, their numbers would be from receiving calls and SMS services.

According to him, the government has not got the rights to access the data.

He also said that the registration was intended to protect SIM card holders from crimes committed using mobile phones and to prevent their phone numbers from being misused.

While attending "Siberkreasi Netizen Fair 2017 ["Netizen's Cyber-creation Festival 2017"]", he said that his ministry had issued a ministerial regulation on personal data protection (in December 2016). The festival was held in Jakarta on Sunday (5 November).

At present, the Indonesian population is approximately 260 million people with 360 million SIM cards all over the country.

Source: Ameerah, arrahmah/2017/11/06/menkominfo-registrasi-kartu-memudahkan-penegak-hukum-untuk-mengakses-data/, "Menkominfo: Registrasi kartu memudahkan penegak hukum untuk mengakses (Menkominfo: Registration of prepaid SIM cards to facilitate security enforcers to access)", in *Indonesian*, 06 Nov 17.

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